---"Series of 1897"- SNUFF - 458 x 19 mm. - "OVER *40%* MOISTURE" ---

--- RS-56 - 5 Pounds - recess printed in BLACK ink ---

--- coarse roulette - on horizontal mesh wove - with 4½ mm. red controls ---

--- with the 24 mm. "AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA" **imprint - scanned at 35% scale ---**

Budget of 1891	SNUFF "Not more than 40% moisture"	- 25¢ per pound
	SNUFF "Over 40% moisture"	- 18¢ per pound
	SNUFF "Over 40% moisture" & less than 5 pounds	- 25¢ per pound

The *over 40% moisture* strips represents an excise duty of $ 0.90 per five pound package.

Budget of 1908 - dropped the moisture specification, and decreased the *excise duty* on SNUFF to 5¢ per pound - thus 25¢ on a five pound package.

--- over 40% moisture ---

★**RS-56 SP** - 5 pounds, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, control number **0319508**, stamped ***Sample*** twice in purple script

★**RS-56** - 5 pounds, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, control number **036709**, rollered **TOBACCO / 14-17** in purple ink by "L. La Rue", Montreal

036709 ★	RS-56	5 pounds, black, coarse roulette, missing both ends, rollered **TOBACCO / 14-17** in purple ink.
0319508 ★	RS-56 SP	5 pounds, black, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove, stamped ***Sample*** twice in purple script

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★**RS-56n** - 5 pounds, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, without control numbering

★**RS-56n / CRP** - 5 pounds, black, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, without control numbering, stamped **CANCELLED** and **Registered** in violet ink

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--- 5 Pounds - Die Proof [CANADA - F - 101 **] - recess printed in black ink ---**

--- inscribed "OVER *40%* MOISTURE" ---

--- with the 24 mm. "AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA**" imprint - scanned at 60% scale ---**

★R**S-56 DP** - 5 pounds, black die proof "CANADA - F - 101" on India paper pasted on heavy wove paper
a two-piece die proof - 293 and 161 mm. sections

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